

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 5 to 16, 19, 20, and 23 to 28 remain in the application and were pending in the application at the time of examination. Claims 1, 2, 5 to 10, 14, 19, 20, 23, 24, 27, and 28 stand rejected as anticipated. Claims 11 to 13, 15 to 18, 25 and 26 stand rejected as obvious.

Each of Claims 1, 19, 27, and 28 has been amended. The amendments more clearly define the sequence of operations during the nested test modes and are supported, for example, by Fig. 4 of the disclosure.

Claims 12 and 26 are amended to obtains consistency with the independent claim from which each depends.

Claims 14 to 16 are cancelled.

Claims 1, 2, 5 to 10, 14, 19, 20, 23, 24, 27, and 28 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,499,180, hereinafter referred to as Ammirato.

Applicants respectfully traverse the anticipation of each of independent Claims 1, 19, 27 and 28. The rejection stated in part:

Ammirato discloses a user setting of a baseline spreadsheet, by taking a snapshot of a data model using a capture button.

In contrast, Claim 1 recites in part:

automatically storing a first test mode data set of the first test mode upon entry of said first test mode

Requiring a user to use a capture button teaches away from automatically storing upon entry of the test mode. In addition, the use of a capture button also teaches away from

automatically storing a second test mode data set of the second test mode upon entry of said second test mode

wherein said second test mode data set is said modified document data set at the time of said activating said second test mode.

The rejection also stated in part:

In other words, when the user presses the reports button the modes are exited and the information from the scenarios are stored again.

First, Applicants note that "storing" is not "restoring" .. in said document" and further, using a report button teaches way from returning to the changing operation in the appropriate test mode.

Finally, Applicants note that Figure 5A of the cited reference shows the flow chart for the prior art system and that flow chart fails to teach or suggest the flow of operations as recited in Applicants' independent claims. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the anticipation rejection of each of Claims 1, 14, 27 and 28.

Claims 2 and 5 to 11 depend from Claim 1 and so distinguish over Ammirato for at least the same reasons as Claim 1. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the anticipation rejection of each of Claims 2 and 5 to 11.

Claims 20, 23, and 24 depend from Claim 19 and so distinguish over Ammirato for at least the same reasons as Claim 19. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the anticipation rejection of each of Claims 20, 23, and 24.

Claims 11 to 13, 25 and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ammirato in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,631,497, hereinafter referred to as Jamshidi.

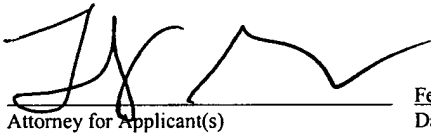
Assuming the combination of references is correct, the additional information cited in Jamshidi fails to overcome the basic deficiencies of Ammirato. Therefore, each of Claims 11 to 13, 25 and 26 distinguish over the combination at least for

the same reasons as discussed above for the independent claim upon which each of these claims depends. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the obviousness rejection of each of Claims 11 to 13, 15 to 18, 25 and 26.

Claims 1, 2, 5 to 13, 19, 20, and 23 to 28 remain in the application. Claims 1, 12, 19, 26, 27, and 28 have been amended. Claims 14 to 16 are cancelled. Claims 3, 4, 17, 18, 21, 22 were canceled previously. For the foregoing reasons, Applicant(s) respectfully request allowance of all pending claims. If the Examiner has any questions relating to the above, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned Attorney for Applicant(s).

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